के साथ 23-10-91 से 8-11-91 के के दौरान उत्तरकाशी तार घर के कार्य करने का समय चौबीसों घंटे 0700 बजे से 2200 बजे तक बढ़ाया गया । उत्तरकाशी से क्रमशः 30 किलोमीटर और 15 किलोमीटर की दूरी पर भटवारी और मनेरी में कैम्प तारघर भी खोले गए ।

विवरण

उत्तरकाशी क्षेत्र में 20-10-90 को आए भूकम्प के कारण क्षतिग्रस्त हुए टेलीफोन एक्सचेंजों की सूची

1. पुरोला-50 लाइनों का एक्सचेंज-उत्तरकाशी से 120 कि०मी० की दूरी पर स्थित यह एक्सचेंज 4 स्थानों पर खराब हुआ । 25-10-91 को मरम्मत कर दी गई ।

2. दमता-25 लाइनों का एक्सचेंज-उत्तरकाशी से 140 कि०मी० दूर 6 स्थानों पर क्षतिग्रस्त । 24-10-91 को मरम्मत की गई ।

3. नौगांव-50 लाइनों का एक्सचेंज उत्तरकाशी से 93 कि०मी० दूर 13 स्थानों पर क्षतिग्रस्त । 24-10-91 को मरम्मत की गई ।

4. डुन्डा-25 लाइनों का एक्सचेंज-उत्तरकाशी से 17 कि०मी० दूर यह एक्सचेंज कई स्थानों पर क्षतिग्रस्त हुआ । 24-10-91 को मरम्मत की गई ।

5. धरासू-25 लाइनों का एक्सचेंज-उत्तरकाशी से 33 कि०मी० दूर यह एक्सचेंज कई स्थानों पर क्षतिग्रस्त हुआ । 24-10-91 को मरम्मत की गई ।

6. चिन्यालीसौर-25 लाइनों का एक्सचेंज-उत्तरकाशी से 40 कि०मी० कई स्थानों पर लाइन टूटी । 24-10-91 को मरम्मत की गई ।

7. मनेरी-25 लाइनों का एक्सचेंज उत्तरकाशी से 26 कि मी० 26-10-91 तक इन स्थानों पर नहीं पहुचा जा सका । लाइनें बुरी तरह से क्षतिग्रस्त । एक्सचेंज भवन क्षतिग्रस्त जिसकी मरम्मत नहीं की जा सकती । एसटीडी पोसीओ खोला जा रहा है। एक नया इलेक्ट्रानिक एक्सचेंज स्थापित किया जा रहा है । जिला प्रशासन से नए एक्सचेंज के लिए भवन किराए पर लिया गया है ।

8. उत्तरकाशी-लाइन खराब होने के कारण लगभग 35 कनेक्शनों ने कार्य करना बंद कर दिया था । सभी को धीरे-धीरे पुनः चालू कर दिया गया है ।

Chandil Dam, Bihar

126. KUMARI CHANDRIKA PREMJI KENIA: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the Press Report appearing in the *Times of India* of 12th October, 1991 regarding havoc played by the Chandil Dam, a part of the Subernarekha multipurpose project under construction in Bihar; and

(b) if so, what is the reaction of Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI VIDYA CHARAN SHUKLA): (a) and (b) The project Administration has reported that the dam has been constructed upto spillway crest level and it was stipulated that with water impounding upto the crest, 6 villages will be fully submerged and 20 villages would be partly affected. He further reported that the payment of compensation for land and houses acquired has virtually been completed in all but one in the first 38 villages of Chandil submergence area. The villagers, however, continued cultivation of land even after compensation has been paid. The affected villages had sufficient advance intimation about possible submergence and the contigency plan was in operation during the monsoon period for eviction and relief. One village name-

ly Dudri was reported to have been submerged beyond the prepared schedule of submergence. The project Administrator has ordered an inquiry into its circumstances and the causes. No case of death by drowning directly attributable to flooding of villages has been reported. Rescue and relief operations under the Contingency Plan were jointly embarked upon by the project and District Administration and relief was made available to the affected families as a mix of cash, food and shelter materials.

Review of Sardar Sarovar/Narmada Project

127. KUMARI CHANDRIKA PREMJI KENIA: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) what is the present state of the feasibility aspect of the Sardar Sarovar/Narmada Sagar Project;

(b) whether it is a fact that a World Bank Team is likely to visit India to undertake an independent review of the Narmada Project; and

(c) if so, whether the proposed visit has been cleared by the Government and if so, the reasons which necessitated the visit?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI VIDYA CHARAN SHUKLA): (a) The Sardar Sarovar (Gujarat) and Narmada Sagar (Madhya Pradesh) projects have already been examined for their techno-economic viability and the Planning Commission has approved the projects for implementation in October, 1988 and September, 1989 respectively.

(b) and (c) The development of Narmada has attracted criticism in the national and international fora with specific reference to rehabilitation of the affected population and the impact on environment. In the process, the World Bank is urged by the non-governmental organisations to stop further assistance to the project. In view of this, the Bank has commissioned an independent review of these aspects. The independent Mission has already made its first visit to India in October, 1991 for review of resettlement and rehabilitation and environmental aspects of the Sardar Sarovar Project.

Vizag Steel Project

128. KUMARI CHANDRIKA PREMJI KENIA: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the newsitem which appeared in the *Hindustan Times* of 22nd October, 1991 regarding the assistance sought from Private Sector such as Tatas, Birlas, Mukands, Mittals and Jindals etc. for bailing out the Vizag Steel Project; and

(b) if so, what is the reaction of Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL (SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) There is no such proposal under consideration. Government is arranging necessary funds for completion of the project according to schedule.

Requirements of Telephones during Eighth Plan

129. KUMARI CHANDRIKA PREMJI KENIA:
SHRI MENTAY PADMANABHAM:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether during his recent visit abroad, any foreign company showed its eagerness to enter the Indian Market with modern technology to meet India's telephone requirements during the Eighth Plan period; and

(b) if so, what is the name of the Company and the terms and conditions which have been arrived at for such an offer?